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SUPPLEMENT

1. a. The Soviet Far Eastern North Border Garrison Force, stationed in the area of Nikolayevsk (140-40, 53-15), consists of 50,000 healthy men from 18 to 25 years of age.
- b. There is a detachment of the Far Eastern Soviet Navy attached to this Force which is training in the Gulf of Tartary.
- c. It is believed probable that the occupation forces in the Kuriles are under the command of this Force and have headquarters in southern Sakhalin.
- d. Contrary to current belief in Siberia that the former Soviet Far Eastern Expeditionary Force was redrafted to form this Force, it is thought that the Expeditionary Force is still in existence and that the Garrison Force is subsidiary to it.
2. The Coastal Defense Corps of 30,000 men is at present assisting the Far Eastern Soviet Navy which is based at Vladivostok in a Three Year Plan for the reconstruction of coastal areas. This Corps is under the direct command of Army General Headquarters at Nikolayevsk.
3. The Soviet Far Eastern South Border Garrison Force in Korea is now reconstructing and enlarging fortifications on the Changpai Mountain Range (128-00, 42-00) and in the Yalu Valley. There are 30,000 men comprising separate detachments of this Force.
4. It is believed that Dairen and Port Arthur are under direct command of Harbor Headquarters [? Maritime Military District].
5. Forces which apparently are different from those given above exist in a Far Eastern Detachment of the Soviet National Border Garrison Army which is controlled by the Peoples' Internal Affairs Committee and is not under the command of Army General Headquarters. This Detachment consists of two armies of 40,000 men each. Bureya (129-48, 49-48) is the headquarters for the First Army, which controls the region from Blagoveshchensk (127-30, 50-20) to Khabarovsk (135-05, 48-30). Vladivostok is the headquarters for the Second Army, which controls Ussuri Province.
6. The Far Eastern Penetration Airforce operates 4,000 aircraft, including light and heavy bombers, fighters and reconnaissance planes. The principal bases are at Chita and Bureya. Note: This figure is considerably higher than the highest previously estimated.

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7. A Soviet mechanized unit, supporting the Mongolian People's Republic Army, is based in the area of the Bayerbala [?] Mountains.

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[REDACTED] Note: Bayerbala Mountains are not identified. See [REDACTED] 25X1A paragraph 7, reporting that the Soviet 36 Mechanized Division was previously stationed at Dalay Sayn Shanda (110-09, 44-52).7

8. Russian led guerrilla units in China are not under the command of Army General Headquarters but under the Manchurian Board of Investigation, a subsidiary of the Far Eastern Bureau. The commander of these units is Major General Warrov.

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